

Congress of the United States
U. S. House of Representatives
Office of the Democratic Leader
H-204, U. S. Capitol
Washington, DC 20515-6537
(202) 225-0100

REQUIREMENTS FOR BEING A PAGE

AGE – Pages must be at least 16 years old on the day the page term in which they will serve begins. Verification of age is required.

- 2 **GRADE LEVEL** – Fall or Spring Term – A page serving in the academic year must be a junior in high school. The House Page School only offers a junior year course of study.

***SUMMER TERM** – A page serving during the summer term must have completed the 10th grade and not yet entered the 12th grade.*

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS – Fall or Spring Term – Page Board regulations require that candidates must have maintained at least a 3.0 academic Grade Point Average, in their major subjects, for the 9th and 10th grades. If grading is on a numerical scale, the GPA must be at least 85. **THERE ARE ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS!** Only English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies and a foreign language are considered in determining the GPA.

***SUMMER TERM** – There is no page school during the summer. There are no academic requirements for summer pages.*

- 4 **CITIZENSHIP OR ALIEN STATUS** – Pages must be U. S. Citizens or (green card). Aliens possessing only a student visa are not eligible.
- 5 **APPOINTMENT** – Applicants can only be appointed by the Democratic Leader, the Honorable Nancy Pelosi of California. Every session, the Leader chooses a different group of House Members to submit nominations. No other office or individual can appoint a page. If you are appointed, you will receive confirmation in a letter from the Democratic Leader.

I have read and understand the requirements

Applicant

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED WITH YOUR APPLICATION

Office of the Clerk
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6601

PAGE ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

Before making your decision to become a Page, it is imperative that you and your family read and understand the following information regarding your attendance.

Pages are employees of the U. S. House of Representatives and, as such, are subject to many of the rules and regulations governing all House Employees. While we know that you are involved in many home school and family activities, you should understand that these activities **must be put on hold until you are no longer a Page.**

If you accept your appointment as a Page, you will not be permitted to return home to attend family reunions, family trips, home school activities, or similar non-Page Program events, if they occur during the school or work week.

In addition, as an academic Page, you will be required to attend several Washington In-Siders Program (WISP) events which are usually held on Saturdays. Pages and parents must understand that these events are **mandatory** since they are part of the school curriculum. Parents should not make plans to visit their son/daughter on a day on which a WISP occurs or schedule their son/daughter to leave the program on these days. Pages may not make plans to go home on days in which a WISP occurs. Missing a WISP is not allowed unless special approval is given in advance by the Clerk. Scheduled WISPs are printed in the calendar in back of the Handbook.

If a Page is absent from a WISP, school, work or a mandatory Page Residence Hall activity, the Page will face consequences commensurate with the infraction of the rules of the school, work and Page Residence Hall programs. Such punishment may include termination from the Program.

If you make plans to return home for any reason other than an immediate family emergency as defined in the Page Handbook, your departure must be after work on Friday and return by curfew on Sunday night. **Early departure, which constitutes leaving school or work early, will not be permitted.**

Because the House's legislative calendar is never set in stone and changes frequently without regard to vacation or holiday plans, a Page's plans and airline tickets may have to be changed or cancelled if the House calendar dictates it. We advise you to **never purchase a non-refundable ticket based on the tentative calendar in the Page Handbook.** It is a safe bet that the calendar will change, and more specific dates will be provided throughout the year.

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It is our goal to make your Page experience both educational and exciting. This can be accomplished by your understanding of what is expected of you and the important role you play as a Page in the U. S. House of Representatives.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the above **Page Attendance Requirements**, and if I accept an appointment as a Page, I agree to abide by the requirements presented in this document.

_____ Date: _____
Page Applicant

We, _____ and _____, parents/guardians of _____ (Page applicant) acknowledge that we have read and understand the above **Page Attendance Requirements**, and if he/she accepts an appointment as a Page, we agree to abide by the requirements presented in this document.

_____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian

_____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian

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Democratic Page Application

Declaration of Parental Consent

We, _____ and
_____, are the parents (or
legal guardians) of and give our consent to
_____ to apply for an
appointment to serve as a Democratic Page in the U.S. House of
Representatives, beginning _____

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Mother or Guardian's signature

Father or Guardian's signature

Street Address

City

State

Zip

Telephone Numbers:

Home: _____
(area code)

Office: _____
(area code)

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**U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SUMMER PAGE PROGRAM 2004**



DEMOCRATIC PAGE APPLICATION

APPLICATION FOR CONGRESSIONAL PAGE APPOINTMENT

Please type or print all information. Send completed application with *all* components to Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi. Omission of any part will delay your processing and notification. Applications must be received no later than Friday, April 2, 2004.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Honorable _____

Congressional Sponsor

to _____

Appointment Period

PERSONAL DATA

DO NOT LEAVE ANY BLANK SPACES

Legal name: _____

First

Middle

Permanent home address: _____

number and street

Phone: _____

state

zip

Social Security No.

Birthdate: _____

Parent/Guardian name: _____

(father) last

first

middle

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian name: _____

(mother) last

first

middle

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

You are applying as _____ a dormitory resident or _____ living with parents

Maximum period of availability: _____ From _____

To: _____

Present grade in school: freshman _____ sophomore _____ junior _____ senior _____

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION WITH THE FOLLOWING COMPONENTS

- *3 Letters of Recommendation from school officials, community or religious leaders
- *"Requirements for Being a Page" Student Consent Form
- *"Declaration of Parental Consent" Form

SUBMIT ALL COMPONENTS AT ONE TIME. DO NOT SEND PARTS INDIVIDUALLY.

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

c/o Hon. Nancy Pelosi
H204, U.S. Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515
Attn: Paula Short

Please list your principal extracurricular, community, and family activities and hobbies in the order of their interest to you. Include specific events and/or major accomplishments such as musical instrument played, varsity letters earned, etc.

[illegible]

Please list any job (including summer employment) you have held during the past three years.

[illegible]

AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT

This section offers an opportunity for you to help us become acquainted with you. It allows you to demonstrate your ability to organize your thoughts and express yourself. With this in mind, please type or print legibly a 150–200 word autobiography.

My signature below indicates that all the information contained in my application is complete, factually correct and honestly presented.

Signature

Date